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Heir Apparent and Presumptive made one.

HORACE in his *Ars Poetica* says, *Rem bene provisam*, &c. Fit Words necessarily follow a Subject well Laid and Founded: So I on the contrary Presume, *Ubi mens male disposita est*, where ill will hath its design, agreeable Expressions are never lacking, to Vent its Meaning and Malice.

Apparent (till 1073.) hath ever been, among us *English* Men, a fit Participle (or Word Adjective) to Express one, between whom and the Succession to a present Possessours Estate, no third Person Intervenes or Appears. Such was and is, his R. Highness, [Suffering no Eclipse, in his Modest Fair and Just Pretensions, till the time before recited, and then *Natus est Heres Presumendus* (or *Presumptivus* as *French Latinists* would Term it,) *et denatus est Apparens, inter Hominum Genus Novum*: Presumptive comes into the World, and Apparent dies among a new Sect, &c.

No Man can doubt this, to be an Artifice (we live in the days wherein they abound) to Diminish among the Vulgar, the Opinion of the Validity of the foresaid Pretentions: And it hath gone so very far, that the Plow Man in the Country, (as well as the Pitiful Vicar,) that Groans under the Detention of his Tithes, and is to be Commiserated,) Argue it and Distinguish by it, and to say the Truth, one Understands it as well as the other.

Nay the more refin'd Wits (and Men of great Learning and Parts have the Expression in Honour and Esteem. As Mr. *Smith* in his late Narrative. *p.* 13. (26 *Bis.* 27, &c.

Every Nation have Proper and Peculiar Idioms and Expressions, which by a long use, are become their own, and are not so proper for other Countries and Concernments.

These be the Diets of *Germany*, (the Parliaments of *England*, (the General Estates of the *Netherlands*, (the Senate or Great Council of *Venice*, (and the Cardinalate or Conclave of *Rome*, (these two are Terms of Government and Council.

But Secondly as to Expressions of meaner consequence and circumstances, (in vulgar occasions and occurrences.

The *Scots* Term being a *Sleep*, *Quiet*; The *Irish*, *Shall* for *Will*: as, Such a man shall die, meaning that he cannot hold out long, is past recovery or at least in exceeding danger.

We *English*, understand by knocking on the Head, (no Bugbear expression if genuinely considered: (nor of more danger than *John Hopkins*'s fearful Imprecation, *Psal.* 74. Paragraph the last: (I say we understand by it down right murdering and killing.

So the *Latines* have their *e medio tollere*, just at the very same stamp: (again instead of demanding what hour it is, we ask what's a clock;) *Significans pro Significato.*

Learned *Selden* thought it no Solecism, to quote the old Ballade of the Tanner of *Tamworth*, (recited by Mr. *Ashmole* in his *Garter*, *p.* 225. Why may not I quote the merry Legend of the Frier and the Boy, to bring in a very common and usual *Anglicism*, *p.* 1.

By the first Wife a Son he had,
Which was a Pretty worthy Lad,
A good unhappy Boy.

This *Unhappy* translated in the sense of *Unfortunate*, quite marrs the intended sense; (which signifies waggish and full of Roguish Tricks.

We

We say, the Wing of a Rabbet, (which notwithstanding is no flying Animal, but a four footed Creature; So after the same manner, the *Scots* have the fore Leg of a Capon.

The *Dutch* express I drink to you, **ik brenght**, (which is no other than I bring to you, or make you the Offer of drinking.

They say **Een Schip ghebleven**, is (a Ship is staid), meaning it is cast away and lost.

The *French* say *prendre sur*, (*gainer Sur*, (take a Town upon, gain a victory upon; where as we say take a Town from, gain or get a victory, over or against, such a King or Prince: they say *l' heure a sonnee*, the Hour has strook, instead of the Clock, (*Significatum pro Significante*)

To come to the point, then Presumptive Heir is a *Gallicism*, a *French* Term, an Idiomatical Expression of that Nation, borrowed from the Latine word *Præsumo*, (in its Derivative) And let us see what *Hottoman* saies of it in the Substantive, *Presumptio apud juridicos dicitur, existimatio, quæ ex verissimilibus argumentis et conjecturis ducitur*; a judgment, esteem or opinion of things, which is drawn from credible and veritable arguments and conjectures; (see *Thomas, Thomasius* in the word: The *French* use it to express a next Heir, (as the two Brethren St *Marthes* all along in their Genealogick History of *France*.

P. 719. *Isabel de Bourbon fut accordée avec le Prince Olaus fils uniq; et presomptif Heritier de Danemerc &c.* She was affianced with Prince *Olaus* only Son and presumptive Heir of *Denmark*.

P. 873. *Tom.* 2d. (*Jean de Albret fille uniq; et presumptive Heritiere du Roy de Navarre*, only Daughter and Presumptive Heir to the King of *Navarre*.

P. 1052. Speaking of *Jean* Wife of K. *Phillip* the Tall; He calls her Presumptive Heir of *Artois*.

P. 1331. twice) I will mention both Circumstances.

1st. The Agreement between *Anne* of *Britain*, and *Charles* the 8 of *France* afterward her Husband, *La Princesse ne convoleroit en autres nopces; fors avec le Roy futur* (*Si il plaist et luy faire ce peut*) *et autre Heretier prochain et presomptif de la couronne*, she not to contract 2d. Marriage except with the future King, (if it so pleased him and he could do it (and other next Heir and Presumptive of the Crown.

2dly. The Prince of *Orange* is termed there, the next Kinsman and presumptive Heir of the said Princess.

So again *p.* 1528. and 1537. (The first of which saies *Edw.* K. of *Portugal*, was the first who ordained *Que le fils aisnee, presumptif Heritier de la Couronne, &c.* That the Eldest Son Presumptive Heir of the Crown, should carry the Title of Prince of *Portugal*, being before only stiled Infant,

The latter *Pag.* saies, *John* of *Portugal* was joyned in Marriage with *Charlot de Lusignan*) Daughter of *John* the 2d. of that Name, King of *Cypress*, (and of his Queen *Helene Paleologue*, adds, she was presumptive Heiress of the Kingdoms of *Cypress* and *Jerusalem*.

But finally the Bishop of *Rhodes*,) who so elegantly wrote the Life of *H.* 4. of *France*, and is so well translated by Mr. *Dancer*, stiles the said King no other way than Presumptive Heir, (although already declared Successor by *H.* 3. and so taken by all, (except those of the Ligue. who carried on a long war against him, and whom at length he uttterly ruined.

Nam semper est prevalitura Veritas.

Pray mark all these Expressions

*** 1st. *Olaus*, only Son and presumptive Heir.

2dly. only Daughter and presumptive Heire, (in *Jean De. Albret*.

3dly. In the Case of *Anne* of *Britain*; he does not say next or presumptive Heir, but 'tis a Conjunction Copulative, and makes *Next and Presumptive* all one.

And so in the Prince of *Orange*, (next Kinsman and presumptive Heir; (if so, what difference then from Apparent? (and the *French* they have no other Phrase for it.

*** But the next of all is so clear, that he saies Eldest Son presumptive Heir to (a Gramatical Apposition:) and no man did ever deny to an Eldest Son the Title of Apparent.

It is clear then from these two Bretheren eminent for their Learning and Learned Descent: (see their own Dedication at the end of their work; (as also from the Bishop of *Rhodes* That Heir *Presumptive* is nothing else than *Apparent*.

So you see (the Authors of this new Term) have made good that of the Poet.

Parturiunt montes, est natus ridiculus mus.

I'le english it,

The Little Flie hath rais'd a great deal of dust.

But

But indeed Reaſon will tell us, (without the Head-ache of *Philoſophical Argumentation*) that that is neareſt the mark or object matter, where nothing at preſent intervenes.

Nothing more certain than againſt which at preſent not the leaſt objection; and nothing can be more apparent, than that which nothing appears at preſent to obumbrate and obſcure.

I compare then theſe interjected upſtart Expreſſions *of preſumptive and expectant Heir*, to the Moons being in oppoſition under the Ecclipticke Line, which indeed darkens the Sun, but he afterwards appears more glorious.

And indeed, as to the Term of Heir *Expectant*, 'tis worſe than Preſumptive, and hath ſome what more of malice in it; the word importing a looking for with deſire, (*ex ſpe inſtare*) to be inſtant after any thing, with impetuous Hope (making his *R. H.* as it were, *Imaginari Regis Mortem* (a Trick to cauſe Jealouſies and Variances. (and learnt from *Del Rio, and Contzen*: (for 'tis not to be doubted there be ſome Proteſtant Phanatical Polititians, as bad as any *Jeſuit* can be thought to be. *Hudibras* in his 3d. Book plainly deſcribes them, part 3d. *p.* 114

'Mong theſe there was a Politician
That had more Heads than Beaſts in Viſion.

I could wiſh the Propheſy of *Hor.* were accompliſht, *Ars Poetica p.* 3.

Multa renaſcentur quæ jam cecidere, cadentq;
Quæ nunc ſunt in honore vocabula ſi volet uſus.

Words out of uſe, in uſe ſhall come again;
And words in uſe, no more in uſe remain.

Let Heir Expectant and Preſumptive be no more heard; Let Apparent be in Vogue.

Auguſtus Cæſar adopts *Tiberius*. *Joan* the firſt of *Naples*, adopts *Louis* Duke of *Anjou*: So alſo *Joan* the ſecond, adopts the ſame Family: no Friend of *Cæſars*, or of theſe Neopolitane Majeſties, but acknowledg the Adoptes for Heirs Apparent.

Right of Adoption hath great force in Sacred Writ, as *Rom.* 8. 23, *Rom.* 9. 4. *Gal.* 4. 5 *Eph.* 1. 5. But on the Duke's Side, is ſucceſſive Propinquity and Proximity.

Atavis qui Regibus editus,
Auguſtiſſimo Carolo proximus

See the Determination of the Holy Ghoſt (*Deut.* 17. 8. 9.) *Sans any objection.*

Moſes that great Prophet, Penman (nay Prince) who delivered to us that former Law of Succeſſion, ſaies *Gen.* 1 16. *That God made two great Lights, the greater to rule the day, &c.*

And our Saviour himſelf (the Light of the world (*John* 8. 12. *Tells us his father*,) who is the Father of Righteouſneſs,) cauſes his Sun, (the greater of the two Lights aforementioned, (*to ariſe on the evil and the good, and ſendeth Rain on the juſt and on the unjuſt, Mat.* 5. 45, which in the opinion of all Divines admits, that all manner of men are to expect their Rights and Dues in communicative and diſtributive Juſtice: and I believe that none of theſe new *Sect* of Preſumptiviſts would be willing to looſe any the leaſt Pretention, though but to one hundred Pound *per Annum!* Let them do then as they would be done by, laying aſide all far-fetcht (equivocating) dubious, (malicious Phraſes and Expreſſions, contenting themſelves with thoſe of our own Nation, giving *Cæſars* Relations their due) and ſo become juſt.

This new Order of Men, have erred not knowing the Scriptures. *St. Peters* advice is, (1. 4. 15.) not to be too buſie. They have erred as not being Philoſophers; (not obſerving the *Ethicks*) I mean the morality of Moderation.

Hor. Lib. 1*ſt.* concludes his ſecond Epiſtle with.

Non tardum opperior nec præcedentibus inſto.
I ſtay not for the ſlow; nor others would out-goe.

An admirable *Lore* and *Document* for moderation: It may be rendred Proverbially, (ſoft fires make ſweet Mault) a Commoditie we in *England* cannot live without; Let's have a care of the

the making of it ——— *Solomon* teaches us *not to be righteous over much*, *Eccl.* 7. 18. *(as also to be wise for our selves if we pretend to wisdom Prov.* 9. 12. *ver.*

It were heartily to be wished an Act of Pacification might pass, such as that *sub H.* 3. call'd *Dictum de Kenelworth*; (so that no reflection might be made upon forepassed Jealousies, to promote and foment new ones.

That the Duke might retire, near his only Royal Brother.

The present separation, is a matter of ill aspect and consequence; the sacred Scripture declares against them which cause it, (*Prov.* 6. 4. and 19. *ver.* (The Heathen Poet charms wisely against it. *Ho.* Lib. 1. Ep. 3.d

Ubicunq; locorum
Vivitis, indigni fraternum rumpere fœdus.

Unworthy are you, where so e're you are,
Bonds of Fraternal Love to break that dare.

Moreover that the Kings wants might be supplied towards the paiment of his Debts; (a matter much importing his Reputation and Credit.)

Old *Fabian* tells us of wonderful monitions and warnings were given to *H.* 2d. but especially from one Sir *William Chestraby*, whose advice was Seavenfold.

The 6th Clause was, that he should take care his Subjects should be satisfied, for any thing taken or received from them, for his use; and that he should pay his Servants and Souldiers their wages; I shall make but short Paraphrase upon it, only observe, that such as are averse to Aids and Subsidies, (the Ancient Rights of our Kings) are such as are deficient in Loyalty and Charity. The first as to their Sovereign. The second as to their Fellow Subjects.

That again, Preparation might be made for the Defence of the Nation, *Le politique Francoise. p.* 192. advises the *Fr.* King to place the Knights of *Malta* in the Ile of *Rhee*, (Ile *de Dieu*, and *Belle* Ile, to ruine our Trade.

Mr. *Smith* in his late *Narrative*, (*p.* 19.) tells us the said great Kings Encouragements and Designs: and the *Friendly Conference*; (plainly tells us his pretentions upon *England*; and that they are printed and exposed to publick View and Censure.

His Medals (lately uttered to the world) demonstrate the greatness of his mind, and the *Nebucadnezar*-like Conceit he hath of himself.

Neither doth his Nativity (published both in Latine and English by two several Astrologians) add any thing but Fewel to his *Martial* Mind apt for great undertakings.

But I say, could he seise upon the South, and South-west parts of *Ireland*, lying opposite to *Britain*: he would become Mr. of our Seas; and then farewell Trade and Traffick, under the warm Sun.

Algent miseris Aquilonibus vertere prora.

We must Turn our Prow's to the North.

Ireland hath left Hope and Dependance upon *Spain*, (and have betaken themselves to *France*,) in every Village of *Connacht*, and the South-west of that Kingdom, are such as have been Trained up to *French* Military Discipline.

And whilst the Fewds of Papistical and Presbyterian, (or Antimonarchical Plots, (for certainly there is a Party in *England* that aim at a *Hollandsche* Government, (make a noise in the world, The *French* Plot, not a Religious one, but Political one; such as *Germany* and the *Netherlands* have felt the effects of. (silently gets growth, and thus come and take away our Name and Nation.)

Inter nos Unio sit,
Nos inter regnet Pax, dominetur Amor.

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